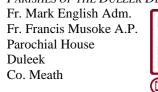


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DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY





17th September 2023

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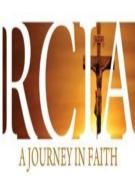
Tuesday – Thursday 1am-5pm

THE SEASON OF CREATION has a special significance for the Catholic Church, particularly since Pope Francis established 1 September as an annual Let Justice World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. The Season of Creation is marked and Peace Flow throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of Saint Season of Creation 2023 Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging A Mighty River awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. This year's theme is "Let Justice and Peace Flow" taking inspiration from the Prophet Amos who declares: "Let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!" (Amos 5: 24).



RIVER BOYNE SEASON OF CREATION PRAYER SERVICE at the Boyne Walk carpark Rossnaree. "When we "seek first the kingdom of God" (Mt 6:33), maintaining a right relationship with God, humanity and nature, then justice and peace can flow like a never-failing stream of pure water, nourishing humanity and all creatures." Pope Francis. Given the theme of this year's Season of Creation, and the reality that every Irish diocese has a river or sea access point - it seemed very appropriate to offer a ritual prayer that we could celebrate near a riverbank. It is hoped that this opportunity to gather out of doors in "the cathedral of nature" will be a support and inspiration for all involved. Responding to this request please join with our faith communities of Duleek and Donore parishes along the River Boyne at 3pm next Saturday 23rd September for a simple prayer service for the gift of Creation.

LOURDES 2023 A quote from a homily given by the late Pope Benedict VXI in Lourdes during the Diocesan pilgrimage fifteen years ago 14th September 2008, the 150th Anniversary of the Apparitions. "This is the great mystery that Mary also entrusts to us this morning, inviting us to turn towards her Son. In fact, it is significant that, during the first apparition to Bernadette, Mary begins the encounter with the sign of the Cross. More than a simple sign, it is an initiation into the mysteries of the faith that Bernadette receives from Mary. The sign of the Cross is a kind of synthesis of our faith, for it tells how much God loves us; it tells us that there is a love in this world that is stronger than death, stronger than our weaknesses and sins. The power of love is stronger than the evil which threatens us. It is this mystery of the universality of God's love for men that Mary came to reveal here, in Lourdes. She invites all people of good will, all those who suffer in heart or body, to raise their eyes towards the Cross of Jesus, so as to discover there the source of life, the source of salvation".



Adoration **Blessed Sacrament**

RCIA PROGRAMME 2023/24 Are you, or someone you know interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), is a faith-formation process which prepares and supports adults who wish to become members of the Catholic Church. Applications are currently being invited for this year's programme which is due to commence in the autumn. For further details, please contact the Parish Office or scan the QR code.

Come behold this Wonderous Presence In St. Cianán's Church Duleek every Saturday evening there will be a directed Holy Hour of adoration and benediction from 5-6pm with the Sacrament of Reconciliation available immediately afterwards. Please make the time for Adoration and invite another person to join with you for quiet contemplation and prayerful intercession for the needs of all in our community and in the world at large. Come on Tuesdays in adoration in Donore church after 9am Mass until 10am; on Tuesday evenings in Duleek church from 6-7pm; on Wednesdays from 8:30-9:30am in Bellewstown church and on Saturday evenings in Duleek 5-6pm.

Email:duleekparish@gmail.com www.donorerossnareeparish.com

MASS INTENTIONS CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE Sunday **11am** Missa pro populo

No Mass on Tuesday (9.30am Duleek) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10am No Mass on Wednesday (9.30am Bellewstown) **9am** Missa pro populo Thursday No Mass on Friday (9.30am Duleek)

11am Kieran Collier; Dodie Doonan; Declan Matthews; James, Margaret & Jim Wall. Sunday

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE 6.30pm Josie, Richard & Johnny McDonnell; Paddy Sheils. Saturday

Saturday

6:30pm Missa pro populo.



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 325 PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 376 **Donore Fund Account:** IBAN IE38 AIBK 9320 9446 7323 44



If you have no cash you can just scan your phone over this QR code to contribute to the basket collection.



HOSPITALITY On the second Sunday of every month a cuppa will be provided after the 11am Mass in Donore. Everyone is welcome as we share a few minutes of hospitality, especially getting to know new parishioners or visitors passing by. Feel free

to bring a few buns etc any Sunday.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lotto: 5, 6, 12, 15 No Jackpot winner Consolation prizes €50 Moore family

Next week's jackpot €3,460.

Meath Partnership are looking for volunteers who would like to make new connections and build new friendships, supporting and encouraging participants to practice and improve their language skills through informal community based conversational English classes. Classes are informal and conversational and whilst teaching experience can be useful, being chatty and welcoming is just as valuable. Classes will be held in Saint Mary's Parish Hall, Donore on Monday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm. Start date to be confirmed. For more information contact Emma on 089-436-6894. Boyne TradFest is Drogheda's newest festival of traditional Irish music and runs from 22nd - 24th September featuring over 35 artists from across the country. Full programme of events is available at www.bovnetradfest.ie

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Helpline 1800 677 777 or contact 087-0931068

ACCORD For Marriage Preparation Courses or for marriage and relationship counselling www.accord.ie

CHILD SAFEGUARDING See the church notice boards and diocesan website

VOCATIONS Ever think about becoming a priest for the Diocese of Meath? Contact Fr. Mark

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (**R.C.I.A.**)

A process for anyone enquiring about becoming a Catholic and for those baptised who never celebrated the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation. More info on all the above on www.dioseseofmeath.ie



